

**Detailed Action**

1. The following communication is in response to interviews held 8/18/2010 with Peter Prommer.

**Status of Claims**

2. Claims 68-79 are new.
3. Claims 1-4, 12-16, 23, 26-29, 31, 32, 36-41, and 61-63 are amended.
4. Claims 43-60 and 64-79 are cancelled.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

5. Claims 1-42 and 61-63 are allowed subject to the Examiner's Amendment below.

**Examiner's Amendment**

6. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Peter Plummer on 8/18/2010.

**THE APPLICATION HAS BEEN AMENDED AS DETAILED IN FOLLOWING  
PAGES:**

Claims 68-79

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(Cancelled)

### **Reasons for Allowance**

7. The closest prior art that the examiner has been able to locate is US Patent 6,363,164 to Jones et al. (Hereinafter "Jones") Jones teaches a system wherein a deposit is made and an image is created of the currency bills. Further the serial numbers are scanned and stored in an electronic image. Jones goes on to state the ability to store images, including serial numbers as well as the image of the actual dollar bill.

However Jones fails to teach the ability to automatically generate a government required report when a certain deposit amount is hit. Further Jones fails to teach the inclusion of an image of the bills being deposited as well as the serial numbers of the bills being deposited. Examiner finds that the inclusion of automatically generating the government required report with the images of the bills as well as the serial numbers deposited is not found in prior art. Further Examiner notes that they were unable to find a report which included the need to have an image of the currency bills as well as the serial numbers of the bills.

### **The following is a formal statement of reasons for allowance:**

8. Claims 1, 12, 23, and 32 are allowed because the best prior art of record, Jones, alone or in combination, neither discloses nor fairly suggest the limitations, in a method, system, or associated computer readable medium with instruction encoded thereon, that, when executed by a processor, is operable to:

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*receiving a plurality of documents associated with a deposit being made at a financial institution into an input receptacle of the document processing device, wherein the plurality of documents include a plurality of currency bills, each of the currency bills having an associated serial number;*

*scanning the plurality of currency bills to produce an electronic image for each of the plurality of currency bills;*

*extracting the associated serial number for each of the plurality of currency bills from the plurality of electronic images;*

*denominating each of the plurality of currency bills;*

*accumulating the total value of the plurality of currency bills included in the deposit; and*

*in the document processing device, automatically generating a government-required report whenever the accumulated total value exceeds a prescribed value, wherein the document processing device is configured to include in the automatically generated government-required report, one or more of the electronic images, an identification of the specified account at the financial institution to which the deposit is being made, the accumulated total value of the deposit, and the serial numbers associated with the currency bills included in the deposit.*

Claims 2-11, 13-22, 24-31, 33-42 and 61-63 are also allowable for the same reason discussed above, in that they are dependent on allowed Claims 1, 12, 23, and 32. As a final matter any comments considered necessary by Applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and; to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submission should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

### **Conclusion**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JAMES A. VEZERIS whose telephone number is (571)270-1580. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-alt. Fridays 7:30am-5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Kramer can be reached on 571-272-6803. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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